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In the Specification:

Please amend paragraph 0009 as follows:

[0009] Referring to Figs. 1-3, in typical magnetically coupled external gear pumps, the driven magnet 3 is mounted directly to the pump drive shaft 7 that in turn is connected to the drive gear 4a which is in the pumping chamber 14 along with driven gear 4b mounted on shaft 8. Around the driven magnet 3, the liquid is sealed in by the containment can 5, and thus the liquid being pumped is completely sealed within the pump. Outboard of the containment can 5 is the drive magnet 6 which in turn is connected to the shaft (not shown) of the motor which rotates the drive magnet 6. Rotating the drive magnet 6 rotates the driven magnet 3 to drive the gear pump 12, since the drive and driven magnets are magnetically coupled to one another and therefore remain "fixed" in relation to one another as they rotate. Thus, a magnetic field passes between these two magnets and therefore rotates with them and through the containment can 5.